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ABSTRACT

This guide indicates statistical sources in the United Kingdom dealing with children and young people. Regular and occasional sources are listed in a three-column format including the name of the source, a brief description, and the geographic area to which statistics refer. Information is classified under 25 topic headings: abortions; accidents; adoption; alcohol, drugs, and smoking; births; child abuse; children in care; children's hearings; crime; day care and playgroups; divorce; education; ethnic minorities; family structure; financial circumstances; handicapped children; health; hospitals; housing; mortality statistics; personal social services; population; unemployment; working mothers; and youth activities. A composite bibliography and an address list of nongovernmental organizations concerned with statistics are included. A publication timetable, indicating the order of publication for 1981 census topic volumes, and a chart showing the number of children and young people in the United Kingdom in 1980 are also appended. (BJD)

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INTRODUCTION

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Lovers of big numbers go horribly mad
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Every year sees the preparation of hundreds of tables of figures relating to children and young people in the United Kingdom, but this valuable resource is not used as fully as it could be. Because statistics are collected through many different systems and their publication scattered among a variety of reports, many of which are concerned with people of all ages, it can be difficult to establish what information is available about the younger generation and where to find it.

The National Children's Bureau drew attention to this problem when the United Nations International Year of the Child was focusing attention on all aspects of children. As a result, a project was sponsored by the United Kingdom Association for the IYC and work on it was financed by a grant from the Department of Health and Social Security, representing part of the government's contribution to that International Year. A generous grant towards the costs of publication, provided by the International Year of the Child Trust, has enabled us to sell the guide at less than its commercial price.

A number of books about sources of statistics in the United Kingdom exist, some being more up-to-date than others, but except for an earlier National Children's Bureau pamphlet none focuses exclusively on the younger age groups and few cover a range of topics within one volume. For those seeking quantitative information specifically about children, there is a need for a basic reasonably comprehensive guide to the main sources.

This booklet is therefore intended to point potential users of statistics in the right direction. It cannot itemise all the information which is available on any given topic, nor refer to the hazards involved in interpreting particular figures. But it indicates where critical reviews of statistics are available, so that those who wish to pursue a topic in some depth will have the references, where they exist, to further reading.

The Government Statistical Service

Each government department (Department of Education and Science, Home Office and so on) produces and uses statistics. There are also two central statistical departments: the Central Statistical Office (CSO), which has a co-ordinating role, and the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys (OPCS) which is responsible for the Census of Population, for registering births, deaths and marriages in England and Wales, and for carrying out the government's main social surveys.

Some government statistics appear in reports which are published by and can be bought from Her Majesty's Stationery Office (HMSO); others can only be obtained by writing direct to the individual department.

Guides to sources, without figures

There are guides to statistical sources which do not themselves contain figures, but which may be helpful to users of statistics on children. Guides on particular subjects have been included, where relevant, under the separate 'topics' in later pages. Those noted below apply to a wide range of subjects and have not, in order to avoid unnecessary repetition, been included under topics.

Government Statistics: a Brief Guide to Sources is an annual booklet which lists the main government statistical publications. It is available free from the Press and Information Service of the Central Statistical Office (see Address List). The key guide to statistical sources is the CSO's *Guide to Official Statistics* a large and excellent volume prepared by the Government Statistical Service. There have been three editions so far, published in 1976, 1978 and 1980. The guide describes the content of official and some non-official sources published in the previous ten years.

Keeping track of official statistics is not easy, since the number of official documents published each year independently of HMSO already exceeds the number published by them. An important new catalogue was launched in 1980, *Catalogue of British Official Publications not published by HMSO*. This details the publications of over 300 organisations financed or controlled wholly or partially by the government which are not published by HMSO. These organisations divide broadly into government departments, nationalised industries, research institutes, quangos and other official bodies. Most of the publications in the catalogue are also available, on microfiche only, from the catalogue's publishers.

Used in conjunction with HMSO catalogues, the new catalogue should in future provide full coverage of British official publications. Unfortunately it is absent from many reference libraries which might be expected to stock it, partly perhaps because of its newness but also because of its price. The 1982 subscription for six issues and an annual cumulation was £120.

The Office of Population Censuses and Surveys has produced a helpful booklet explaining how certain of the Registrar General's statistics are produced and listing OPCS publications. (*Population and health statistics in England and Wales* OPCS 1980).

Although it is not a guide to sources as such, the Central Statistical Office's quarterly *Statistical News* gives news of current developments in British official statistical systems and every issue contains one or two articles dealing with a subject in depth.

Turning now to guides which are produced outside government, *The Unofficial Guide to Official Health Statistics* (Radical Statistics 1980) is an inexpensive booklet which gives much useful information on a range of official statistics, including personal social services and vital statistics i.e. births, deaths and marriages. It indicates what data are available and where, and includes a commentary about the reliability of the available figures and their political connotations. *Demystifying Social Statistics* edited by J. Irvine (Pluto Press 1979) includes chapters by anonymous members of the Government Statistical Service who present behind-the-scenes accounts of how statistics are collected and processed. The book discusses the value systems implicit in these processes.

The major detailed study of statistical sources is the series *Reviews of United Kingdom Statistical Sources* edited by W.F. Maunder, sponsored by the Royal Statistical Society and the Social Science Research Council. These reviews include discussions of the limitations of various statistical systems and comparability between them. Volume V, *General Sources of Statistics* by G.F. Lock (Heinemann Educational 1976) is an overview. Other volumes in the series appear in this guide under the appropriate topics. All are listed in the Composite Bibliography in the series *Reviews of UK Statistical Sources*.

A book which, though dated in some respects, includes useful explanations of birth rates, death rates and other indices is

8 *Sources of Social Statistics* by B. Edwards (Heinemann 1974). It refers to sources on population and vital statistics; health, welfare and social security; housing; education; crime and justice. The pamphlet *Spotlight on Sources of Information about Children* (J. Parfit, National Children's Bureau, 1974) summarised the sources of both statistical and non-statistical information on certain topics.

General sources of data about children

In addition to the publications classified under 'topics' later in this guide, the following books include figures on children and young people:

Britain: An Official Handbook (HMSO) is an annual reference book about the United Kingdom which includes statistical information and references to sources.

Facts in Focus (Penguin, 5th Edition 1980) is a useful pocket book prepared by the Central Statistical Office, covering national statistics over the whole sphere of government.

People and their Families (HMSO, 1980) provides statistics and commentary about current social trends and issues affecting people of different age groups.

The Ulster Year Book (HMSO, annual) contains statistics about Northern Ireland, some of which are not otherwise available.

OPCS Monitors

A source of regular statistics on people in England and Wales which merits special mention are the monitors, available free of charge from the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys. These supplement the Registrar General's annual detailed volumes of statistics. They are designed for the quick release of information as it becomes available. Most of the data are provisional, final figures appearing in the annual series. OPCS monitors are referred to under the relevant topics and in the Composite Bibliography.

Local statistics

This guide is concerned with national statistics and local sources are not included except where they are of national relevance. However, the following notes may be helpful to people seeking local figures.

Much information about local areas is available from national statistical systems. Most central government statistics are obtained through local channels: Regional Health Authorities, local authorities for personal social services, police force areas and so on. Local information may be available to enquirers, even if it is not published. Local tables, in varying degrees of detail, are of course available from Census data.

Regional Trends, previously *Regional Statistics*, an annual publication from HMSO, brings together a range of government statistics on the countries and regions of the United Kingdom. The 'Regional Profiles' section includes basic statistics relating to counties and some data about districts in urban areas.

The Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy (CIPFA) publishes detailed annual statistics on services provided by local authorities in England and Wales and expenditure on them. Some local authorities produce their own statistical abstract. Notable among these is the *Annual Abstract of Greater London Statistics* which includes figures on births, mortality, education (including children in special schools) and details of children in care. Figures are shown for the separate London boroughs and for Inner and Outer London.

Readers with an interest in local statistics, particularly unpublished data, will find helpful tips on how to pursue these in their own areas in *The Unofficial Guide to Official Health Statistics* and in two articles which appeared in the magazine *Community Action*. One concerned 'Methods of getting information from local government' (Issue 35, 1978) and the other 'Tactics for getting information from local and central government and other official bodies' (Issue 36, 1978).

Longitudinal studies

Longitudinal studies, of cohorts of children surveyed over time, are a valuable source of national estimates. The National Survey of Health and Development, in which J.W.B. Douglas and his colleagues studied 5,362 children born in Great Britain in a week in March 1946, was the first of these. Apart from the original survey, numerous follow-up studies have been carried out of people in this cohort, at various ages, and work is continuing on

members both of the original cohort and their children. Numerous books and articles have been published. Further information can be obtained from Dr. M.E.J. Wadsworth, National Survey of Health and Development (See Address List).

The National Child Development Study (NCDS) is based on the British Perinatal Mortality Survey sample of all 17,000 babies born in Great Britain in the week 3–9 March 1958. This cohort was followed up by the National Children's Bureau at ages seven, eleven and sixteen. A fourth study of the cohort, aged twenty-three, is in progress. Many books and articles have been published on NCDS findings and more are in the pipeline. Not all which could be relevant have been cited under topics, and readers might always bear NCDS in mind as a possible source of information on a statistical query. The main general books based on this national cohort are *Perinatal Mortality* (1963), *Perinatal Problems* (1969), *From Birth to Seven* (1972) and *Britain's Sixteen-year-olds* (1976).

There are also books focusing on NCDS findings on education, adopted children, children in one-parent families and disadvantaged children. Articles which have appeared in recent years are to be published in a collected edition under the title *Growing-up in Great Britain*. Further information about NCDS publications is available from the National Children's Bureau.

A later cohort, Child Health and Education in the Seventies (CHES), is based on approximately 16,000 children born between 5–11 April 1970. Like the earlier cohorts, the initial study was concerned with pregnancy, childbirth and the first weeks of life. Sub-samples of these children were surveyed at 22 months and 3½ years respectively. The whole cohort was followed up at five years of age. In addition to various articles, the books published so far on the CHES cohort are: *British Births 1970 Vol I: The first week of life* (1975), *British Births 1970 Vol II: Obstetric care* (1978) and *The Prevalence of Illness in Childhood* (1979). A book on five-year-olds is in preparation. Further information is available from Professor N.R. Butler, Child Health and Education in the Seventies. (See Address List).

Organisations as sources of statistical information

Information about what official statistics are available at a particular time may be sought from the libraries of the appropriate government departments, or from the departmental contacts listed in *Government Statistics: a Brief Guide to Sources* or the *Guide to Official Statistics*.

However, many organisations outside government are potential sources of statistical information. Some of them are listed under topics later in this guide: either because they collect original statistics themselves or are particularly concerned with using or co-ordinating secondary statistics. Their addresses appear in the Address List. The list is obviously not exhaustive and many other non-governmental organisations have information departments which may, if asked, be able to provide statistical guidance in their own spheres of interest. Most voluntary organisations are listed in the annual *Charities Digest*.

Individuals undertaking research in universities and colleges may be familiar with the strengths and weaknesses of statistics on particular topics, and be willing to share their knowledge. The British Library publishes a national register of research projects, *Research in British Universities, Polytechnics and Colleges: Volume 3 Social Sciences*. The work of government departments and other institutions is included.

Information about local authority research is available through the Clearing House for Local Authority Social Services Research (See Address List).

The Rayner review of Government statistics

This guide was prepared during a period of uncertainty about the future of government statistics, in face of the government's desire to reduce costs. Sir Derek Rayner, who had been asked to oversee a review of government statistical services, submitted his report in December 1980 (*Review of Government Statistical Services: Report to the Prime Minister*). As part of this review, detailed examinations of their statistical services had been undertaken in twenty-two government departments. The government announced its plans for reducing costs in the service, based on the Rayner review, in a White Paper, *Government Statistical Services*, Cmnd 8236 (1981). Following this, some of the information previously collected by central government has been dropped or modified. Certain other figures, although still collected, will be published in a different form. Because of the inevitable time-lag between collection, processing and publication, only some of the changes introduced in 1981 have so far been reflected in statistical publications.

10 The principle stated in the White Paper is that information should not be collected primarily for publication, but because government needs it for its own business. Critics have pointed out that a reduction of information is a reduction in democracy, since statistics are a means of assessing the impact of government policies. Much of the government's statistical information is collected by or from outside bodies, who are entitled to feedback, and since government has a monopoly over the collection of certain data, it has a responsibility to share its information with outside users. (See for example the report of a special meeting of the Royal Statistical Society, where these points were made, in *Statistical News* No. 54, HMSO 1981).

The White Paper does state that 'Public access to government statistics will be maintained but more cost-effectively'. However, it will require public vigilance to achieve the first of these conditions, as the second is considered only from a narrow financial viewpoint. Among Sir Derek Rayner's recommendations is the removal of government subsidy from all statistical publications. This will mean that publications which cannot pay their way are threatened with extinction, and libraries and individuals alike will be discouraged by price rises from buying those that are published.

The recommendations include a positive note in suggesting more flexible ways of making information available:

> Less costly (to government) and more flexible means of enabling the public, in the form of interested bodies, researchers, historians and so on to have access to figures held in government should be exploited. I have in mind here the use of camera ready copy, public use tapes, computer printouts, microfiche and so on. If necessary, departments should be allowed more freedom from HMSO to pursue promising innovation – using information technology as appropriate. The costs of providing such facilities should be covered by appropriate charges to the individuals or bodies concerned. (Cmnd 8236 page 15).

But the danger is that new forms of dissemination, unless properly advertised, will fail to reach this wider public, or indeed people in other government departments, and that, like public rights of way, access to certain statistics will be lost through failure to use them. If the positive as well as the negative aspects of the Rayner review are to be realised, very clear guidance needs to be given about what is currently available, and people should be encouraged to make full use of government statistics by a more reasonable charging policy.

SIGNPOSTS: TOPIC BIBLIOGRAPHIES

The core of this guide indicates statistical sources on children and young people, classified under twenty-five different topic headings. Under each topic is a list of relevant publications. Some titles are shown in abbreviated, but obvious, form. For quick reference, the dates of occasional publications are included here. Full titles, details of authors and publishers, and frequency of publication of regular reports, are given in the Composite Bibliography at the end of the guide.

Scope of this guide

Statistics earlier than 1970 are not usually included; the emphasis is on recent publications. The guide went to press before any but a few preliminary findings from the 1981 Census had been published, but since this information will be available within the next couple of years, references to the previous Census of 1971 have not been included. The expected timing of publication of 1981 Census findings is shown in Appendix A.

The listing of a publication means that the information in question is shown separately for the younger age groups. The actual age-bands vary between publications and sometimes between tables in the same report, but for inclusion in the guide the ages used to distinguish young people are those up to and including nineteen.

The topics, which appear in alphabetical order, are listed above in the table of contents. The focus is on statistics relating to numbers of children, or the incidence of particular characteristics. The guide does not therefore refer specifically to finance, manpower and numbers of institutions, nor does it include those few publications which relate exclusively to these matters. However, many of the publications listed because they include statistics about individual children are also the main source of these other statistics.

Regular and occasional publications

A central concern of this guide is information which is being continually updated: 'routine statistics' collected and published on a regular basis. But certain important national figures not available in routine statistics can be derived from research surveys, both longitudinal studies as mentioned above, and one-off sample surveys. Research findings and other occasional publications are listed where it appears that they are the only, or a major source of basic statistics. Obviously this involved subjective judgements about what should be included and it was not possible to refer to every occasional source which might be relevant.

When using regular sources, an important point to note is that the tables included in certain regular publications may change from one year to the next. For example, the coverage of the general digests such as the *Annual Abstract of Statistics* and, more particularly, *Social Trends*, varies from one edition to the next. The editions referred to under topics in this guide were in both cases published in 1982 (*Annual Abstract* No. 118 and *Social Trends* No. 12) and give figures for 1980. References to the *General Household Survey*, a survey carried out annually on behalf of several government departments, relate to the report published in late 1981, unless otherwise indicated. Its findings are based on 23,000 households surveyed in 1979.

Lay-out of topics

Under each topic, regular publications are listed first, followed by occasional publications, including specific editions in a regular series. The way in which regular publications have been grouped depends on the topic. An entirely consistent approach was not appropriate, given the disparate nature of the topics and their sources. Where information is provided through several different statistical systems, as is the case with accident statistics for example, publications are grouped accordingly.

The geographic area to which statistics refer varies between publications and even between tables. England and Wales are sometimes shown separately, sometimes combined. Some figures appear for the United Kingdom or Great Britain in total; for other items, no combined totals exist. As a general rule, where totals are available they are likely to be found in the *Annual Abstract of Statistics*, *Social Trends* or *Regional Trends*.

The right-hand column of each page shows the country or countries to which the regular publications relate. In some cases this is obvious from the title e.g. *Scottish Abstract of Statistics*. However, this lay-out enables readers interested in a particular country to scan the column quickly to see where their information is likely to be. A reference to *England and Wales* covers both total figures and figures for each of these countries separately; many publications include both sets of figures.

ABORTIONS

The sources mentioned below all refer to legal abortions, notified to the Registrars General. Only publications which include a breakdown by patients' ages, ie. which show younger patients, are included.

12 REGULAR SOURCES

Abortion Statistics	Detailed reference volume	England and Wales
Annual Report, Registrar General Scotland	Detailed reference volume	Scotland
Digest of Welsh Statistics		Wales
Health and Personal Social Services Statistics, England		England
Health and Personal Social Services Statistics, Wales		Wales
Health in Brief		Scotland
Legal Abortions: OPCS Monitor AB	Recent figures	England and Wales
Scottish Health Statistics		Scotland
Social Trends		England and Wales

OCCASIONAL SOURCES

Population Trends No. 5 (1976)	Article on 'Fertility and abortion inside and outside marriage'.

ACCIDENTS

REGULAR SOURCES Home Accident Surveillance System	**Home Accident Surveillance System**	Statistics on home accidents, from rolling sample of accident and emergency departments. Also occasional reports on specific types of accident.	England and Wales
Hospital inpatient statistics	**Hospital Activity Analysis, Medical Statistics**	Inpatients treated as a result of accidents.	Wales
	Hospital Inpatient Enquiry	Inpatients treated as a result of accidents; place of accident; type of injury.	England and Wales
	Scottish Hospital Inpatient Enquiry	Inpatients treated as a result of accidents.	Scotland
Registrar Generals' mortality statistics	**Annual Report, Registrar General, N. Ireland**	Detailed reference volume, includes death from accidents.	N. Ireland
	Annual Report, Registrar General, Scotland	Detailed reference volume, includes death from accidents.	Scotland
	Deaths by Cause: OPCS Monitor DH2	Recent figures. September edition give ages.	England and Wales
	Deaths from Accidents and Violence: OPCS Monitor DH4	Recent figures.	England and Wales
	Digest of Welsh Statistics	Deaths from accidents.	Wales
	Health and Personal Social Services Statistics, Wales	Deaths from accidents.	Wales
	Health in Brief	Deaths from accidents.	Scotland
	Mortality Statistics	Detailed reference volumes, include deaths from accidents.	England and Wales
	Registrar General's Quarterly Return for N. Ireland	Deaths from accidents.	N. Ireland
	Scottish Health Statistics	Deaths from accidents.	Scotland
	Social Trends	Deaths from accidents in the home.	United Kingdom
Transport departments' statistics	**Annual Abstract**	Deaths and injuries from road accidents.	Great Britain
	Dept of Transport Press Notice	Recent figures on deaths and injuries from road accidents.	Great Britain
	Digest of Statistics, N. Ireland	Deaths and injuries from road accidents.	N. Ireland
	Monthly Digest	Recent figures on deaths and injuries from road accidents.	Great Britain
	N. Ireland Annual Abstract	Deaths and injuries from road accidents.	N. Ireland

14 REGULAR SOURCES (continued)

Report of the Chief Constable, RUC	Deaths and injuries from road accidents.	N. Ireland
Road Accident Statistics (ROSPA)	Statistics from all UK transport departments.	GB, England and Wales, Scotland, N. Ireland
Road Accidents, Great Britain	Detailed volume on deaths and injuries from road accidents.	Great Britain
Scottish Abstract	Deaths and injuries from road accidents.	Scotland
Social Trends	Deaths and injuries from road accidents.	Great Britain
Trends in Injury Road Accidents Scotland	Detailed volume on deaths and injuries from road accidents	Scotland

MISCELLANEOUS SOURCES

Note that details of deaths and injuries through specific types of accident (fires, railways, etc) also appear in the statistical systems listed above.

Facts about Accidents (ROSPA)	Statistics from different sources.	GB, England and Wales, Scotland
Fire Statistics, UK	Deaths and injuries from fires. Fires believed to have been started by children.	United Kingdom
Dept of Trade Press Notice: Firework Injuries	Recent figures.	Great Britain
Health and Safety Statistics	Firework injuries; children killed in farm accidents.	Great Britain
Railway Accidents	Deaths and injuries in rail way accidents.	Great Britain
Statistics of Drownings, England and Wales		England and Wales

OCCASIONAL SOURCES

Accidents in Childhood: OHE Briefing No. 17 (1981)	Invaluable summary and discussion of child accident statistics.
Child Health SMPS No. 31 (1976)	Article on 'Causes of children's deaths analysed by social class'.
Children, the Environment and Accidents (1977)	Quotes official and other statistics.
The Health of the Children (1981)	Statistics from various sources.
Health Visitor 53.3 (1980)	Article on 'Child health and education in the seventies: some results on the 5-year follow up of the 1970 British Births Cohort'.

OCCASIONAL SOURCES (continued)	**Morbidity Statistics from General Practice, Second National Survey (1979)**	Statistics of patients consulting family doctors, from small volunteer sample of general practitioners.
	Population Trends No. 12 (1978) and No. 15 (1979)	Articles reviewing statistics on deaths from accidents and violence of children aged 1–14.
	The Prevalence of Illness in Childhood (1979)	Incidence of accidents among children under 3 years. (Sample of 1,100 out of 1970 British Births Cohort).
ORGANISATIONS	**Child Accident Prevention Trust** **Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents (ROSPA)** **Transport and Road Research Laboratory**	

ADOPTION

See also CHILDREN IN CARE and PERSONAL SOCIAL SERVICES

16 REGULAR SOURCES

Court statistics

Civil Judicial Statistics, Scotland	Adoption applications made to Sheriff Courts; petitions ended by final judgement in Court of Session.	Scotland
Judicial Statistics	Adoption applications made to High Court and County Courts; orders made; orders refused; cases where parental consent dispensed with. Adoption cases determined in Court of Appeal.	England and Wales
	Adoption proceedings in the High Court.	N. Ireland

Local authority statistics

Note: that in addition to the sources below, local authority statistics on CHILDREN IN CARE and PERSONAL SOCIAL SERVICES include some adoption statistics eg. the number of children who left care because they were adopted.

Activities of Social Services Departments	Children placed for adoption: by local authority.	Wales
Adoption Statistics, Year Ending 31 March, England (Ref. SSDA 907)	Placements for adoption; adoptions by foster parents, adoption after five years care; *guardian-ad-litem* cases; supervision of adoptive children.	England
Personal Social Services Statistics, N. Ireland	Adoption orders: by health and social services board areas.	N. Ireland

Registrar Generals' statistics

Adoptions: OPCS Monitor FM3	Adoption orders.	England and Wales
Annual Report, Registrar General, N. Ireland	Adoption orders.	N. Ireland
Annual Report, Registrar General, Scotland	Adoption orders.	Scotland
Digest of Statistics, N. Ireland	Adoption orders.	N. Ireland
Digest of Welsh Statistics	Adoption orders.	Wales
N. Ireland Annual Abstract	Adoption orders.	N. Ireland
Social Trends	Adoption orders.	Great Britain

OCCASIONAL SOURCES

Adoption and Fostering No. 98 (1979)	Figures on counselling of adopted persons applying for access to birth records.
Adoption and Fostering No. 100 (1980)	Article on sources of statistics on adoption, including voluntary agencies.

OCCASIONAL SOURCES (continued)	**Children Act 1975, First Report to Parliament (1979)**	Adoption orders registered; counselling of adopted persons applying for access to birth records.	**17**
	Population Trends No. 14 (1978)	Article on 'Trends in adoption 1951–77'.	
	Social Services for Children in England and Wales 1973–75 (1976)	Supervision of adoptive children; children adopted from care.	
	Social Services for Children in England and Wales 1976–78 (1979)	Total number of children adopted; children adopted from care; supervision of adoptive children; *guardian-ad-litem* cases.	

ALCOHOL, DRUGS AND SMOKING

18 REGULAR SOURCES

General Household Survey	**General Household Survey (alternate years 1978, 1980 etc)**	Cigarette smoking by 16–19 year olds.	Great Britain
	General Household Survey: OPCS Monitor GHS	Cigarette smoking by 16–19 year olds.	Great Britain
	Social Trends	Cigarette smoking by 16–19 year olds.	Great Britain
Home Office statistics	**Criminal Statistics**	Various offences involving alcohol or drugs.	England and Wales
	Criminal Statistics, Scotland	Various offences involving alcohol or drugs.	Scotland
	Health and Personal Social Services Statistics, Wales	Dangerous drugs: notified addicts receiving treatment.	Wales
	Home Office Statistical Bulletin: Statistics of the Misuse of Drugs	Detailed statistics on misuse of drugs.	England and Wales
	Offences of Drunkenness, England and Wales	Detailed statistics on drug offences.	England and Wales
	Social Trends	Dangerous drugs: notified addicts receiving treatment.	United Kingdom
Transport departments' statistics	**Road Accidents, Great Britain**	Positive (or failed to provide) breath tests among drivers involved in accidents (under 17; 17–19 years).	Great Britain

OCCASIONAL SOURCES

Adolescents and Alcohol (1978)	Sample survey of 7,300 13–18-year-olds in full-time education.
Archives of Disease in Childhood, Vol. 57 No. 5 (1982)	Article on 'Cigarette smoking among secondary school children 1975–9' (Sample Surveys).
Britain's Sixteen-year-olds (1976)	Extent of cigarette smoking and drinking (National Child Development Study).
International Journal of Epidemiology, Vol. 9 No. 2 (1980)	Article on 'Bias in the reported incidence of smoking by children'.

ORGANISATIONS

Federation of Alcoholic Rehabilitation Establishments
Health Education Council
National Youth Bureau

BIRTHS

Statistics on numbers of births come from one main system: the three Registrars General for England and Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland respectively. Many of the regular publications listed below include statistics on live and still births, legitimate and illegitimate births and birth rates. For perinatal deaths, see MORTALITY.

REGULAR SOURCES

Annual Abstract		UK, England and Wales, Scotland, N. Ireland
Annual Report, Registrar General, N. Ireland	Detailed reference volume.	N. Ireland
Annual Report, Registrar General, Scotland	Detailed reference volume.	Scotland
Births and Deaths: OPCS Monitor VS	Recent figures by local authority.	England and Wales
Births by Birth Place of Parents: OPCS Monitor FMI	Recent figures.	England and Wales
Birth Statistics	Detailed reference volume.	England and Wales
Birthweight Statistics; OPCS Monitor DH3	Birthweight by age and social class of mother etc.	England and Wales
Digest of Statistics, N. Ireland		N. Ireland
Digest of Welsh Statistics		Wales
Health and Personal Social Services Statistics, England		England
Health in Scotland		Scotland
Health Services Wales		Wales
Local Authority Vital Statistics	Detailed reference volume.	England and Wales
Monthly Digest	Recent figures.	England and Wales
Maternity Statistics: OPCS Monitor MB4		England and Wales
N. Ireland Annual Abstract		N. Ireland
On the State of the Public Health		England
Population Trends	Quarterly figures.	UK, GB, England and Wales
Regional Trends	By region.	GB, England and Wales, Scotland, N. Ireland
Registrar General's Quarterly Return for N. Ireland		N. Ireland
Scottish Abstract		Scotland
Social Trends	Statistics on births and maternity services.	Great Britain
United Kingdom in Figures	Live births (total only).	United Kingdom
Weekly Return of the Registrar General, Scotland	Recent figures.	Scotland

OCCASIONAL SOURCES

Demographic Review (OPCS Ref. DR1) (1977)	Detailed analysis of births in Great Britain since 1901.
Family Formation (1976)	Report of OPCS survey of 6,500 women

20 OCCASIONAL SOURCES (continued)

Families in Focus (1981)	Statistics from various sources.
Hospital Inpatient Enquiry Maternity Tables 1973–76 (1980)	Statistics on maternity inpatients.
Population Trends No. 9 (1977)	Article on trends in illegitimate births.
Population Trends No. 26 (1981)	Article on 'Population trends in 1980'.
Population Trends No. 27 (1982)	Article on 'Recent population growth and the effect of the decline in births'.

ORGANISATIONS

National Perinatal Epidemiology Unit

CHILD ABUSE

For obvious reasons there are no regular statistics on the full extent of child abuse. Figures available from occasional sources are estimates.

REGULAR SOURCES Criminal statistics	**Criminal Statistics, England and Wales**	People charged and convicted of certain offences on children. *Note:* Some relevant offences are not analysed by age of victim. Prosecutions, in any case, show only the tip of the iceberg.	England and Wales
	Criminal Statistics, Scotland	People charged and convicted of certain offences on children. See Note above.	Scotland
Registrar Generals' mortality statistics	**Annual Report, Registrar General, N. Ireland**	Deaths from injuries (a) purposely inflicted (b) not known whether accidentally or purposefully inflicted. *Note:* These are minimum figures, since some deaths registered under other causes may be indirectly caused by child abuse.	N. Ireland
	Annual Report, Registrar General, Scotland	Deaths from injuries (a) purposely inflicted (b) not known whether accidentally or purposely inflicted. See Note for N. Ireland above.	Scotland
	Deaths from Accidents and Violence: OPCS Monitor DH4	Recent figures on deaths from injuries (a) purposely inflicted (b) not known whether accidentally or purposely inflicted. See Note for N. Ireland above.	England and Wales
	Mortality Statistics	Detailed reference volumes showing deaths from injuries (a) purposely inflicted (b) not known whether accidentally or purposely inflicted. See Note for N. Ireland above.	England and Wales

OCCASIONAL SOURCES	**Child Sexual Abuse (1981)**	Refers to figures from a recent study of incidence in the United Kingdom.
	Child Victims of Physical Abuse, 1976 (1980)	Estimates of non-accidentally injured children in England and Wales, based on registers in areas which together cover 13 per cent of the child population.

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ORGANISATIONS

British Association for the Study and Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect (BASPCAN)
National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children (NSPCC)

CHILDREN IN CARE

See also HANDICAPPED CHILDREN and PERSONAL SOCIAL SERVICES.

22 REGULAR SOURCES

All countries	**Regional Trends**	Children in local authority care per 1,000 population under 18, by region.	England and Wales, Scotland, N. Ireland
	Social Trends	Children in local authority care.	England and Wales, Scotland
England and/or Wales	**Activities of Social Services Departments**	Statistics on children in care of voluntary organisations.	Wales
	Children in Care in England and Wales	Number entering and leaving care and reasons; manner of accommodation; age of children. Some figures on children in care of voluntary organisations.	England and Wales
	Children in Care of Local Authorities in Wales	Detailed information by local authority.	Wales
	Children in Care of Local Authorities, Year Ending 31 March, England (Ref. SSDA 903)	Detailed information by local authority	England
	Digest of Welsh Statistics	Children in local authority care.	Wales
	Health and Personal Social Services Statistics, England	Children in local authority care.	England
	Health and Personal Social Services Statistics, Wales	Children in local authority care.	Wales
	Personal Social Services Statistics: Actuals (CIPFA)		England and Wales
	Personal Social Services Statistics: Estimates (CIPFA)		England and Wales
	Welsh Social Trends	Children in local authority care.	Wales
Scotland	**Children in Care or Under Supervision**	Detailed information: by local authority.	Scotland
	Residential Acommodation for Children	Children in residential homes and hostels etc. including voluntary homes: by local authority.	Scotland
	Scottish Abstract	Children in local authority care.	Scotland
Northern Ireland	**Digest of Statistics, N. Ireland**	Children in care of health and social services boards.	N. Ireland
	N. Ireland Annual Abstract		N. Ireland
	Personal Social Services Statistics, N. Ireland	Details of children in care of health and social services boards and those in care of voluntary organisations.	N. Ireland

OCCASIONAL SOURCES

Caring for Separated Children (1980)	Includes estimates of total in substitute care. Quotes various key statistics on children in local authority care in 1956, 1966 and 1976.
Children in Care in N. Ireland (1980)	Trends in children in care 1964–77; study of children in care and received into care in 1977 (N. Ireland).
Children in Care of Voluntary Organisations (last edition was for 31 March 1977)	Annual tables showing age, type of accommodation etc. of children in voluntary agency care: by agency.
Longitudinal Study of Children in Care (1981)	Trends in children in care in Scotland.
Offending by Young People (1981)	Trends in use of care orders and of residential and secure accommodation for children in care as a result of an offence; re-offending by such children.
Social Services for Children in England and Wales 1973–75 (1976)	Key statistics on children in care.
Social Services for Children in England and Wales 1976–78 (1979)	Key statistics on children in care.
Varieties of Residential Experience (1975)	Chapter on 'Residential care of children: a general view' gives a census of all residential units in October 1971.

ORGANISATIONS

National Council of Voluntary Child Care Organisations
(*Note:* Annual Reports of the individual voluntary organisations often include statistics about children in their care which are not published elsewhere.)

Research Development Officer, Social Science Research Council, Children in Care Research Programme.
(Project on children in public care since 1948: statistical sources and trends.)

CHILDREN'S HEARINGS

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REGULAR SOURCES	**Children's Hearings Statistics**	Scotland
	Criminal Statistics, Scotland	Scotland
	Scottish Abstract	Scotland
OCCASIONAL SOURCES	**Children and the Hearings: A Longitudinal Study of Children Referred to Reporters (1981)**	
	Reviews of UK Statistical Sources Vol. XV Crime (1981)	Includes section on children's hearings. No figures.
	Scottish Social Work Statistics (published 1971 to 1974)	Details of cases referred to reporters.

CRIME

REGULAR SOURCES All countries	**Annual Abstract**	Various statistics on young offenders.	England and Wales, Scotland, N. Ireland
	Social Trends	Various statistics on young offenders.	England and Wales, Scotland
England and/or Wales	**Activities of Social Services Departments**	Local authorities' statistics on supervision and intermediate treatment orders.	Wales
	Criminal Statistics, England and Wales	Young offenders including type of crime and sentences for offenders aged 10–13 years, 14–16 years and 17–20 years.	England and Wales
	Digest of Welsh Statistics	Young offenders.	Wales
	Prison Statistics, England and Wales	Young people in prisons, Borstals, detention centres.	England and Wales
	Probation and After-Care Statistics	Young offenders.	England and Wales
	Supervision orders and intermediate treatment (Ref. SSDA 906)	Local authorities' statistics on supervision and intermediate treatment orders.	England
	Welsh Social Trends	Young offenders	Wales
Scotland	**Criminal Statistics, Scotland**	Young offenders, including type of crime and sentence for offenders under 16 years and 16–20 years. Number of children initially reported by police.	Scotland
	Prisons in Scotland	Young people in prisons, Borstals, detention centres and young offenders institutions.	Scotland
	Scottish Abstract	Young offenders.	Scotland
Northern Ireland	**Digest of Statistics, N. Ireland**	Young offenders.	N. Ireland
	N. Ireland Annual Abstract	Young offenders.	N. Ireland
	N. Ireland Criminal Statistics: Juveniles	Juveniles proceeded against; type of court, sentence.	N. Ireland
	Report of the Chief Constable, RUC	Young offenders	N. Ireland
	Ulster Year Book	Young offenders	N. Ireland

26 OCCASIONAL SOURCES

Community Service Statistics, 1980, Scotland (1982)	Community service orders.
Offending by Young People (1981)	Survey of recent trends in: juvenile offending (10–16 years), sentencing, use of care orders and of residential and secure accommodation for children in care as a result of an offence; re-offending by such children.
Report on Administration of the Prison Service 1972–76 (1977)	Northern Ireland statistics.
Reviews of UK Statistical Sources Vol. XV Crime (1981)	Includes chapter on children and young people. No figures.
Social Services for Children in England and Wales 1973–5 (1976)	Includes statistics on secure accommodation.
Social Services for Children in England and Wales 1976–9 (1979)	As above.
Social Trends No. 7 (1976)	Articles on criminal statistics in England and Wales and Scotland respectively; numbers of offenders and how dealt with.
Statistics of the Criminal Justice System, England and Wales 1968–78 (1979)	Brings together main statistics on the criminal justice system. Includes appendix on statistical sources.
Tackling Vandalism (1978)	Includes asessment of extent of vandalism, estimated from sample surveys.

DAY CARE AND PLAYGROUPS

REGULAR SOURCES

Regular statistics on day care for preschool children refer usually to registered childminders, local authority day nurseries, and preschool playgroups. (The latter, unless separately specified, are included in the category 'registered nurseries'.) Information on nursery schools and classes usually appears separately in statistics on education. An exception to this is information based on the General Household Survey, which presents an overall picture of facilities attended by under-fives.

Note: that figures on childminders refer only to those registered with local authorities. Many children are cared for by unregistered minders.

Central government figures

Activities of Social Services Departments	Places in day nurseries, playgroups and child minding, by local authority.	Wales
Children's Day Care Facilities (Ref. SSDA 503)	Places in day nurseries, playgroups and child minding, by local authority.	England
General Household Survey	Percentage of under-fives in day care or nursery education by type of facility: by whether one or two parent family; mother's working status; socio-economic group; gross weekly income.	Great Britain
	Type of care of children looked after by an individual other than parent (eg. relative).	
	Weekly attendance pattern of under fives in playgroups/day nurseries and schools.	
Health and Personal Social Services Statistics, England	Places in different kinds of day care.	England
Health and Personal Social Services Statistics, Wales	Places in different kinds of day care.	Wales
Home Care Services, Day Care Establishments, Day Services, Scotland	Places and number of children attending day nurseries. playgroups and childminding.	Scotland
Personal Social Services Statistics, N. Ireland	Places in day nurseries, playgroups and childminding.	N. Ireland
Regional Trends	Places in different kinds of day care.	England and Wales, Scotland, N. Ireland
Scottish Abstract	Places in day nurseries and playgroups.	Scotland

28	REGULAR SOURCES (continued)	**Social Trends**	Percentage of under-fives in school or specified kinds of day care, by whether mother works.	Great Britain
		Welsh Social Trends	Places in day nurseries, playgroups, with childminders; under-fives in school.	Wales
	Other statistical systems	**Facts and Figures**	Children attending playgroups affiliated to the Pre-School Playgroups Association.	England and Wales
		Personal Social Services Statistics: Actuals (CIPFA)	Number of child days provided in day nurseries.	England and Wales
		Personal Social Services Statistics: Estimates (CIPFA)	Information on nurseries and playgroups.	England and Wales

OCCASIONAL SOURCES	**Contact (July 1981)**	Number of Scottish PPA playgroups.
	Day Care for School-age Children (1978)	Estimate of school-age children without adult care in school holidays and after school.
	I want to Work but What About the Kids (1978)	Provision for children of working mothers.
	Inequalities in Health (1982)	Statistics on need for day-care for under-fives, from 1974 survey.
	Nurseries Now (1980)	Various statistics. Appendix shows rates of provision (nursery classes, day nurseries, playgroups and childminders) in each local authority (Great Britain 1976).
	Preschool Children and the Need for Day Care (1977)	Sample survey (1974) of need for different kinds of day care for under-fives.
	Provision for Preschool Children (1982)	Statistics on nursery classes, day nurseries, playgroups and childminders (Scotland).
	Services for Young Children with Working Mothers (1978)	Statistics from various sources.
	Social Services for Children in England and Wales 1976–78 (1979)	Figures on day nurseries, childminders and playgroups.

ORGANISATIONS	**Equal Opportunities Commission**
	Pre-School Playgroups Association (PPA)

DIVORCE

REGULAR SOURCES

Annual Abstract	Number of divorces; number involving children.	England and Wales, Scotland
Annual Report, Registrar General, N. Ireland	Detailed reference volume, including divorces involving children.	N. Ireland
Annual Report, Registrar General, Scotland	Detailed reference volume, including divorces involving children.	Scotland
Children in Care in England and Wales	Children received into care as a result of matrimonial proceedings.	England and Wales
Children in Care of Local Authorities, Year Ending 31 March, England (Ref. SSDA 903)	Children in care as a result of matrimonial proceedings.	England
Children in Care of Local Authorities in Wales	Children in care as a result of matrimonial proceedings.	Wales
Children in Care or under Supervision	Children in care as a result of matrimonial proceedings.	Scotland
Civil Judicial Statistics, Scotland	Number of divorces; number involving children.	Scotland
Marriage and Divorce Statistics	Detailed reference volume, including divorces involving children.	England and Wales
Marriage and Divorce Statistics: OPCS Monitor FM2	Recent figures on number of divorces and number involving children.	England and Wales
Scottish Abstract	Number of divorces; number involving children.	Scotland
Social Trends	Number of divorces; number of children involved.	England and Wales

OCCASIONAL SOURCES

Changing Patterns of Family Formation and Dissolution (1979)

Families in Focus (1981)

ORGANISATIONS

National Council for One-Parent Families

Study Commission on the Family

EDUCATION

See also DAY CARE (for further information about under-fives in school), FINANCIAL CIRCUMSTANCES (for information on free school meals etc) and HANDICAPPED CHILDREN.

30 REGULAR SOURCES
Central government education departments' statistics

Annual Abstract	Various figures including: pupils in school.	UK, England and Wales, Scotland, N. Ireland
	Qualifications of school leavers.	United Kingdom
	Young people in education beyond 16 years: schools, further education, universities.	United Kingdom
Basic Educational Statistics (Scotland)	Various figures.	Scotland
Dept of Education, Annual Report	Various figures.	England
Digest of Statistics, N. Ireland	Various figures.	N. Ireland
Digest of Welsh Statistics	Various figures.	Wales
Education Statistics for the UK	Various figures including: pupils in different types of school.	UK, England and Wales, Scotland, N. Ireland
	Qualifications of school leavers.	England and Wales, N. Ireland
	Students in further education; day release students.	United Kingdom
	University students, students taking degrees of the Council for National Academic Awards.	United Kingdom
N. Ireland Annual Abstract	Summary figures.	N. Ireland
Northern Ireland Education Statistics	Detailed reference volume.	N. Ireland
Regional Trends	Various statistics including: pupils by type of school, education for the under-fives, pupils staying on at school, qualifications of school-leavers; all by region.	UK, England and Wales, Scotland, N. Ireland
	Students in further education, by region.	GB, England and Wales, Scotland, N. Ireland
Scottish Abstract	Summary figures.	Scotland
Scottish Educational Statistics	Detailed reference volume.	Scotland
Social Trends	Various statistics including pupils in school.	United Kingdom
	Pupils in specified types of secondary school.	England and Wales, Scotland, N. Ireland
	Destination of pupils attaining statutory school-leaving age.	England and Wales
Statistical Bulletins, Dept of Education and Science	Recent figures on different topics.	England and Wales

REGULAR SOURCES (continued)

Statistical Bulletins N. Ireland	Recent figures on different topics.	N. Ireland
Statistical Bulletins, Scotland	Recent figures on different topics.	Scotland
Statistics of Education	Detailed reference volumes.	England and Wales
Statistics of Education in Wales	Detailed reference volume.	Wales
United Kingdom in Figures	Pupils in school: by age group.	United Kingdom
Welsh Social Trends		Wales

Other statistical systems

Education Statistics: Actuals (CIPFA)	Numbers of pupils; provision of school meals and milk by local authority.	England and Wales
Education Statistics: Estimates (CIPFA)		England and Wales
General Household Survey	Whether 16–19 year olds are in education: full or part time.	Great Britain
	Age and qualifications on leaving full-time education.	Great Britain
	Type of educational establishment currently attended by children aged 5–16. *Note:* this is available for the years 1971–77 only.	Great Britain
Report of the Universities Central Council on Admissions (UCCA)	Candidates who applied for and gained entry to universities. *Note:* Ages of students not specified.	United Kingdom
Statistical Supplement to the Report of UCCA	Further details of the above, including university candidates' age, qualifications, and parents' occupation.	United Kingdom

OCCASIONAL SOURCES

Education Authority Schools in the 1970s (1982)	Past trends in Scotland.
Educational Research 23:2 (1981)	Article on 'Under-fives in school in England and Wales 1971–79'.
The Fact about Women is ... (1982)	Qualifications of school leavers (England).
	Numbers in further education (United Kingdom).
From Birth to Seven (1972)	Children in infant schools and departments (National Child Development Study).

32	OCCASIONAL SOURCES (continued)	**Nurseries Now (1980)**	Appendix shows rates of provision (nursery classes, day nurseries, playgroups and childminders) in each local authority (Great Britain 1976)
		Out of School (1980)	Statistics on absence from school.
		Progress in Secondary Schools (1980)	Findings from National Child Development Study.
		Provision for Preschool Children (1982)	Statistics on nursery classes, day nurseries, playgroups and childminders (Scotland).
		A Quarter of a Million Beatings (1981)	Extent of corporal punishment in schools.
		Review of Government Statistical Services: Dept of Education and Science (1981)	Report by DES 'Rayner team'; no figures.
		Truancy and Indiscipline in Schools in Scotland (1977)	Estimates of truancy in England and Wales and Scotland.
	ORGANISATIONS	**Advisory Centre for Education (ACE)**	
		National Youth Bureau	

ETHNIC MINORITIES

REGULAR SOURCES General Household Survey	**General Household Survey**	Proportion of people seen in this sample survey who were 'white' or 'coloured', according to interviewers' assessment.	England and Wales
	General Household Survey: OPCS Monitor GHS	As above	England and Wales
Registrar Generals' statistics	**Annual Report, Registrar General, Scotland**	Detailed reference volume, gives births by parents' country of birth.	Scotland
	Birth Statistics	Detailed reference volume, gives births by parents' country of birth.	England and Wales
	Births: OPCS Monitor FMI	Recent figures on births by parents' country of birth.	England and Wales
	Social Trends	Birth by country of birth of of mothers.	Great Britain

OCCASIONAL SOURCES	**Britain's Black Population (1980)**	Statistics from various sources. Includes discussion of inadequacies of available statistics and whether these figures should be collected.
	Ethnic Minorities in Britain, Home Office Research Study No. 68 (1981)	Examines trends in social situation of ethnic minorities over last 20 years.
	Ethnic Minorities in Britain: Statistical Background (1978)	Statistics from various sources.
	New Community Vol. 7 No. 3 (1979)	Article on 'Children of immigrants: school performance'
	New Community Vol. 8 No. 3 (1980)	Article on 'Children of immigrants: social and home circumstances' includes statistics on family structure, housing and financial circumstances (from National Child Development Study)
	Population Trends No. 9 (1977)	Article on 'New Commonwealth and Pakistani population estimates'
	Population Trends No. 11 (1978)	Article on 'Marriage and birth patterns among the New Commonwealth and Pakistani populations'
	Population Trends No. 16 (1979)	Article on 'Population of New Commonwealth and Pakistani ethnic origin: new projections'
	Statistics of Education 1970, 1971 and 1972	Numbers of ethnic minority children in special schools.

ORGANISATIONS	**Commission for Racial Equality**
	The Runnymede Trust

FAMILY STRUCTURE

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REGULAR SOURCES	**General Household Survey**	Information on size of household, numbers of children, one-parent families, etc.	Great Britain
	General Household Survey: OPCS Monitor GHS	Preliminary figures on families with dependent children: married couples, lone mothers, lone fathers.	Great Britain
	One-Parent Families: annual report of the National Council	Various statistics.	
	Social Trends	Lone parent families: number of children, age of family head, marital status of lone mothers.	England and Wales
	Welsh Social Trends	Households by family type (Welsh Housing and Dwelling Survey).	Wales

OCCASIONAL SOURCES	**Child: Care, Health and Development Vol. 3 No. 5 (1977)**	Article on 'Living in one-parent families: relationships and attitudes of 16-year-olds' summarises statistics on cohort at ages 7, 11 and 16 (National Child Development Study).
	Children in Adversity (1982)	Summary of findings on disadvantaged children at ages 11 and 16 (National Child Development Study).
	Continuities in Childhood Disadvantage (1982)	Detailed findings on disadvantaged children at ages 11 and 16 (National Child Development Study).
	Families in Focus (1981)	Draws together many relevant statistics.
	From Birth to Seven (1972)	Findings on children from normal and atypical families (National Child Development Study).
	Growing up in a One-Parent Family (1976)	Findings from National Child Development Study.
	Population Trends No. 13 (1978)	Article describes difficulties of estimating numbers of one-parent families and discusses recent trends.

ORGANISATIONS	**National Council for One Parent Families**
	Study Commission on the Family

FINANCIAL CIRCUMSTANCES

REGULAR SOURCES

Dept of Education and Science Annual Report	School meals taken: on payment or free (one day's census).	England
Family Expenditure Survey	Details of income and expenditure, from sample survey of 11,000 households.	United Kingdom
Family Expenditure Survey, Northern Ireland	Details of income and expenditure from sample survey of 250 households.	Northern Ireland
General Household Survey	Receipt of rent allowance, rent rebate and supplementary benefit: by household composition.	Great Britain
Statistics of Education: Vol. 5 Finance	Pupils taking school dinner: on payment or free.	England and Wales
Social Security Statistics	Families in receipt of child benefit, family income supplement, supplementary benefit.	Great Britain
Social Trends	Pupils taking free school meals. Number of families in receipt of child benefit, family income supplement.	United Kingdom

OCCASIONAL SOURCES

Children in Adversity (1982)	Summary of findings on disadvantaged children at ages 11 and 16 (National Child Development Study).
Continuities in Childhood Disadvantage (1982)	Detailed findings on disadvantaged children at ages 11 and 16 (National Child Development Study).
Employment Gazette Vol. 90 No. 2 (1981)	Preliminary findings from Family Expenditure Survey 1980.
Equity and Family Incomes (1980)	
Fair Shares for Families (1980)	
Family Finances: Interim Report by Study Commission on the Family Working Party (1981)	Statistics from various sources.
Family Finances Survey (1981)	Income and expenditure of low income families, from sample of 3,000 families in Great Britain.
Free School Meals (1981)	Survey of children eligible for free school meals: take-up rates.
Poverty in the United Kingdom (1979)	Statistics from official and other sources, including a national sample survey of over 2,000 households.

36	OCCASIONAL SOURCES (continued)	**Reviews of UK Statistical Sources** **Vol. II (1974)** **Vol. VI (1978)** **Vol. XIII (1980)**	Sources (no figures) on: Social security statistics. Wealth: personal incomes. Wages and earnings.
		Royal Commission on Distribution of Income and Wealth	
		Background Paper No. 5 (1978)	On 'The Causes of Poverty'
		Report No. 6 (1978)	On 'Lower Incomes'
		School Meals Census, Autumn 1981 England (1982)	Pupils taking school meals: on payment or free; bringing own food; qualifying for free school meals: by local authority.
		Supplementary Benefits Commission Annual Report (1976)	Includes article on 'Sixteen-year-olds in households in receipt of supplementary benefits and family incomes supplement' (National Child Development Study).
	ORGANISATIONS	**Child Poverty Action Group (CPAG)**	
		National Council for One-Parent Families	
		National Youth Bureau	
		Study Commission on the Family	

HANDICAPPED CHILDREN

Although there are a variety of statistical sources relevant to handicap, there is little straightforward information about how many children are affected.

REGULAR SOURCES			
Central government education statistics	**Annual Abstract**	Pupils in special schools.	United Kingdom
	Dept. of Education and Science Annual Report	Pupils in special schools.	England
	Regional Trends	Pupils in special schools.	UK, England and Wales, Scotland, N. Ireland
	Scottish Abstract	Pupils in special schools.	Scotland
	Social Trends	Handicapped pupils in special educational provision.	Great Britain
		Handicapped pupils awaiting admission to special schools.	England and Wales
		Pupils in special schools and hospital schools.	United Kingdom
	Statistics of Education Vol. 1	Detailed reference volume, shows pupils in special schools and handicapped pupils in other schools.	England and Wales
	Welsh Digest	Pupils in special schools.	Wales
	Welsh Social Trends	Pupils in special schools.	Wales
Hospital statistics	**Facilities and Services of Mental Illness and Mental Handicap Hospitals in England**	Estimates of no. of children resident	England
	Health and Personal Social Services Statistics, England	Children and young people in mental handicap hospitals and units.	England
	Health and Personal Social Services Statistics, Wales	Children and young people in mental handicap hospitals and units.	Wales
	Inpatient Statistics from the Mental Health Enquiry for England	Children and young people in mental handicap and mental illness hospitals and units.	England
	Mental Health Statistics for Wales	Children and young people in mental handicap and mental illness hospitals and units.	Wales
	Scottish Health Statistics	Children and young people in mental handicap and mental illness hospitals and units.	Scotland
	Scottish Mental Hospital Inpatient Statistics	Children and young people in mental handicap and mental illness hospitals and units.	Scotland

38 REGULAR SOURCES
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Local authority social services statistics

Activities of Social Services Departments	Children in care living in accommodation for handicapped children.	Wales
	Young people resident in local authority homes for mentally ill or mentally handicapped.	
	Children registered as handicapped.	
Children in Care in England and Wales	Children in care living in accommodation for handicapped children.	England and Wales
Health and Personal Social Services Statistics, England	Children in care living in accommodation for handicapped children.	England
	Children registered as handicapped.	
Health and Personal Social Services Statistics, Wales	Children in care living in accommodation for handicapped children.	Wales
	Children registered as handicapped.	
Homes and Hostels for the Mentally Ill and Mentally Handicapped at 31 March, England (Ref. SSD 107)	Young people resident in local authority homes for mentally ill or mentally handicapped.	England
Personal Social Services Statistics: Actuals (CIPFA)	Provision for mentally and physically handicapped.	England and Wales
	Children registered as handicapped.	
Personal Social Services Statistics: Estimates (CIPFA)		England and Wales
Personal Social Services Statistics, N. Ireland	Children and young people admitted and discharged from homes and hostels for mentally handicapped; schools for the mentally handicapped.	N. Ireland
Registers of Handicapped Persons at 31 March, England (Ref. SSDA 901)	Children registered as handicapped: deaf, hard of hearing, other physical handicaps.	England

REGULAR SOURCES (continued)	**Registered Blind and Partially Sighted Persons Year Ending 31 March, England (Ref. SSDA 902)**	Children registered as blind or partially sighted.	England
	Residential Accommodation for Children, Scotland	Children in homes for mentally handicapped.	Scotland
Registrar General's statistics	**Congenital Malformations: OPCS Monitor MB3**	Notifications of children born with congenital malformations.	England and Wales
	Health and Personal Social Services Statistics, Wales	Notifications of children born with congenital malformations.	Wales

OCCASIONAL SOURCES	**Birth Impairments (1978)**	Statistics on incidence and other aspects of handicap.
	Britain's Sixteen-year-olds (1976)	Table shows percentage of children ascertained as being in need of special education (National Child Development Study).
	Census of Patients in Mental Handicap Hospitals and Units, 5 April 1981 (Wales)	1981 Census data.
	Census of Patients in Mental Illness Hospitals and Units Units, 5 April 1981 (Wales)	1981 Census data.
	Education, Health and Behaviour (1970)	Incidence of handicap in a local study: all children aged 9, 10 and 11 on Isle of Wight. Also discusses estimates based on other surveys.
	From Birth to Seven (1972)	Incidence of serious defects (National Child Development Study).
	Handicapped Children in Residential Care (1980)	Includes tables on physically and mentally handicapped who are in care, long stay hospitals and residential special schools. Shows trends 1948–77. Draws on many different sources.
	Population Trends No. 19 (1980)	Article on 'Congenital malformations of the central nervous system'.
	The Prevalence and Characteristics of Handicapped Children (1979)	Analysis of data from General Household Survey 1974
	Public Health Vol. 91 (1977)	Article on 'Handicapped children in secondary schools from the National Child Development Study'. (11-year-olds).
	Unqualified and Underemployed (1982)	Handicapped 18-year-olds and the labour market.

ORGANISATIONS

Some organisations concerned with particular forms of handicap have their own estimates of the numbers of children affected. See the annual *Charities Digest* for names and addresses

HEALTH

See also HOSPITALS

40 REGULAR SOURCES

Cancer registrations	**Cancer Registration**		Wales
	Cancer Statistics Registrations: OPCS Monitor MB1		England and Wales
	Health and Personal Social Services Statistics, England		England
	Health and Personal Social Statistics, Wales		Wales
	Scottish Health Statistics		Scotland
General Household Survey	**General Household Survey**	Number with long-standing illness: by socio-economic group.	Great Britain
		Number with limiting long-standing illness: by socio-economic group.	
		Number with acute illness (i.e. restricted activity in previous 14 days) and average days of acute illness per year: by socio-economic group.	
		Number who consulted a doctor in previous 14 days and average number of consultations per year: by whether in surgery or at home; by socio-economic group.	
	Social Trends	Number with long-standing illness.	Great Britain
Infectious diseases	**Health and Personal Social Services Statistics, England**		England
	Health and Personal Social Services Statistics, Wales		Wales
	Health in Scotland		Scotland
	Health Services, Wales		Wales
	Infectious Diseases: OPCS Monitor MB2		England and Wales
	On the State of the Public Health		England
	Scottish Health Statistics		Scotland
	Statistics of Infectious Diseases	Detailed reference volume.	England and Wales
	Social Trends		United Kingdom
National Food Survey	**Household Food Consumption and Expenditure**	Expenditure on and consumption of various foods; children taking school and household midday meals; children's milk consumption.	Great Britain

REGULAR SOURCES
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School Medical Services	**Scottish Health Statistics**	Children inspected and treated by school medical services.	Scotland
	Statistics of Education	Children inspected and treated by school medical services.	England and Wales
Vaccination an J Immunisation	**Health and Personal Social Services Statistics, England**		England
	Health and Personal Social Services Statistics, Wales		Wales
	Health Services Wales		Wales
	On the State of the Public Health		England
	Scottish Health Statistics		Scotland
	Social Trends		Great Britain

OCCASIONAL SOURCES

Adult Heights and Weights Survey: OPCS Monitor SS81/1 (1981)	Includes details of height and weight of 16–18 year olds, from sample survey of 10,000 adults.
Britain's Sixteen-year-olds (1976)	Findings on state of health and use of medical resources among 16-year-olds (National Child Development Study)
Childhood Cancer in Britain: Incidence, Mortality and Survival (SMPS No. 37) (1982)	
Children's Dental Health in England and Wales 1973 (1975)	OPCS Survey
Fit for the Future (1976)	Statistical appendix collates figures on many aspects of child health.
From Birth to Seven (1972)	Information on health of children and use of services (National Child Development Study).
The Health of the Children (1981)	Statistics from various sources.
Health of the School Child: The School Health Service (last edition 1974)	Various statistics.
Health Visitor 53.3 (1980)	Article on 'Child health and education in the seventies: some results on the 5-year follow-up of the 1970 British Births Cohort'.
Inequalities in Health (1980)	Social class differences in mortality and morbidity. 1980 version includes figures on visits to GPs and hospital attendance.
Morbidity Statistics from General Practice, Second National Survey (1979)	Statistics of patients consulting family doctors, from small, volunteer sample of general practitioners.

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The Prevalence of Illness in Childhood (1979)	Illness among children under three years (Sample of 1,100 children from 1970 British Births Cohort).
Reviews of UK Statistical Sources **Vol. II (1974)** **Vol. IX (1979)**	Sources (no figures) on: Central government routine health statistics Health surveys and related studies.

HOSPITALS

See also HANDICAPPED CHILDREN (*Hospital Statistics* and *Occasional sources*).

Of the publications listed below, many show information about beds available, occupancy rates and average length of stay by specialty, including obstetrics and paediatrics. The second column indicates where the most detailed hospital statistics are to be found. Except where indicated, nearly all the information refers to inpatients, not outpatients.

REGULAR SOURCES General Household Survey	**General Household Survey**	Number who attended as out-patients in three-month period and average number of attendances per year.	Great Britain
Hospital statistics	**Analysis of Hospital Running Costs, etc., Health and Social Services Boards**		N. Ireland
	Bed Use Statistics	Detailed statistics.	Wales
	Facilities and Services of Mental Illness and Mental Handicap Hospitals in England		England
	Health and Personal Social Services Statistics, England		England
	Health and Personal Social Services Statistics, Wales		Wales
	Health in Brief		Scotland
	Health Services Wales		Wales
	Hospital Activity Analysis, Administrative Statistics	Detailed statistics.	Wales
	Hospital Activity Analysis, Medical Statistics	Detailed statistics.	Wales
	Hospital Bed Resources, Scotland	Detailed statistics.	Scotland
	Hospital Inpatient Enquiry: Main Tables	Detailed statistics.	England and Wales
	Hospital Inpatient Enquiry: Preliminary Tables	Detailed statistics.	England and Wales
	Hospital Utilisation Statistics, Scotland	Detailed statistics.	Scotland
	Regional Trends	Figures on obstetrics and GP maternity beds, including percentage of births in hospital, by region.	England and Wales, Scotland, N. Ireland
	Scottish Health Statistics		Scotland
	Scottish Hospital Inpatient Enquiry	Detailed statistics.	Scotland
	Welsh Social Trends		Wales

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Day Case Statistics: OPCS Monitor MB4 82/1	Number attending hospital as outpatients.
The Health of the Children (1981)	Statistics from various sources.
Inequalities in Health (1982)	Discussion of statistics on hospital patients.
Reviews of UK Statistical Sources **Vol. II (1974)** **Vol. IX (1979)**	Sources (no figures) on: Central government routine health statistics; Health surveys and related studies.
Survey of Visiting and Parents' Accommodation (1975)	Summarizes survey of all wards admitting children.
The Prevalence of Illness in Childhood (1979)	Use of hospital services by children up to three years old (1970 British Births Cohort).
Trends in Morbidity 1968–78 (1981)	Statistics from the Hospital Inpatient Enquiry.

ORGANISATIONS

National Association for the Welfare of Children in Hospital (NAWCH)

HOUSING

REGULAR SOURCES Statistics on type of housing etc.	**Family Expenditure Survey**	Housing tenure (owned or rented) of families.	England or Wales
	General Household Survey	Households with children: accommodation owned or rented.	Great Britain
	Northern Ireland Family Expenditure Survey	Housing tenure (owned or rented) of families.	N. Ireland
	Social Trends	Households by number of children and type of housing.	Great Britain
	Welsh Social Trends	Housing tenure (owned or rented) of families; causes of homelessness (from Welsh Housing and Dwelling Survey).	Wales
Statistics on homeless children	**Children in Care in England and Wales**	Children admitted to care because 'family homeless: eviction or other cause'.	England and Wales
	Children in Care of Local Authorities, Year Ending 31 March, England (Ref. SSDA 903)	Children admitted to care because 'family homeless: eviction or other cause': by local authority.	England
	Children in Care of Local Authorities in Wales	Children admitted to care because 'family homeless: eviction or other cause': by local authority.	Wales
	Children in Care or Under Supervision	Children admitted to care because 'family homeless' or 'accommodation unsuitable'.	Scotland
	Local Housing Statistics	Occasionally includes information about 'homeless households', the majority of which will be families with children.	England and Wales
	Scottish Housing Statistics	Occasionally includes information about 'homeless households', the majority of which will be families with children.	Scotland

OCCASIONAL SOURCES	**Children in Adversity (1982)**	Summary of findings on children in poor housing and its relationship to other forms of disadvantage (National Child Development Study).
	Concern No. 32 (1977)	Article on 'Childhood housing experiences' (National Child Development Study).

46 OCCASIONAL SOURCES (continued)

Continuities in Childhood Disadvantage (1982)	Detailed findings on children in poor housing and its relationship to other forms of disadvantage (National Child Development Study).
Preschool Children and the Need for Day Care (1977)	Housing circumstances of preschool children, from sample survey (1974).
Reviews of UK Statistical Sources Vol. III (1974)	Sources on housing in Great Britain; housing in Northern Ireland. No figures.

MORTALITY STATISTICS

See also ACCIDENTS, for more statistics on accidental deaths.

Note: Infant deaths are deaths under one year of age. Perinatal deaths are still births plus deaths in the first week of life.

REGULAR SOURCES Deaths and/or death rates of children and young people	**Annual Abstract**		UK, England and Wales, Scotland, N. Ireland
	Annual Report, Registrar General, N. Ireland	Detailed reference volume.	N. Ireland
	Annual Report, Registrar General, Scotland	Detailed reference volume.	Scotland
	Digest of Welsh Statistics		Wales
	Health and Personal Social Services Statistics, Wales		Wales
	Health in Brief		Scotland
	Health Services Wales		Wales
	Mortality Statistics	Detailed reference volumes	England and Wales
	Mortality Statistics: OPCS Monitors (see Composite Bibliography)	Recent figures.	England and Wales
	Population Trends	Quarterly figures.	UK, GB, England and Wales
	Regional Trends		England and Wales, Scotland
	Registrar General's Quarterly Return for N. Ireland		N. Ireland
	Registrar General's Weekly Return	Recent figures on stillbirths and deaths	England and Wales
		Recent figures on deaths by cause.	Greater London
	Scottish Abstract		Scotland
	Scottish Health Statistics		Scotland
	Weekly Return of the Registrar General, Scotland	Weekly and, periodically, quarterly figures.	Scotland
Infant and perinatal mortality	***The above sources plus:***		
	Digest of Statistics, N. Ireland		N. Ireland
	Health and Personal Social Services Statistics, England		England
	Local Authority Vital Statistics	Detailed reference volume.	England and Wales
	N. Ireland Annual Abstract		N. Ireland
	United Kingdom in Figures	Infant mortality rate.	United Kingdom
OCCASIONAL SOURCES	**British Births 1970 Vol. I (1975) and II (1978)**		Study of 17,000 babies (British Perinatal Mortality Survey).
	The Health of the Children (1981)		Statistics on perinatal and infant mortality and other childhood deaths.

48	OCCASIONAL SOURCES (continued)	**House of Commons Social Services Committee 2nd Report: Perinatal and Neonatal Mortality (1980)**	Appendices include many statistics.
		Inequalities in Health (1982)	Some statistics on perinatal mortality rates and childhood deaths. More details are in the original, 1980 version.
		Infant and Perinatal Mortality 1980: OPCS Monitor DH3 81/1	
		Infant and Perinatal Mortality by Birthweight, 1978 Estimates: OPCS Monitor DH3 81/2	
		National Perinatal Epidemiology Unit: an Introduction to the Unit and Annual Report for 1980	Lists and discusses sources on perinatal mortality
		Perinatal and Infant Mortality: Social and Biological Factors 1975–77 SMPS No. 41 (1980)	Detailed analyses
		Perinatal Mortality in Britain: A question of class OHE Briefing No. 10 (1979)	Useful summary
		Population Trends No. 26 (1981)	Article on 'Employment during pregnancy and infant mortality' (OPCS Longitudinal Study)
		Population Trends No. 28 (1982)	Article on socio-demographic mortality differentials (OPCS Longitudinal Study)
		Sudden Infant Death Syndrome 1971–78: OPCS Monitor DH3 80/3	Number of 'cot deaths'
	ORGANISATIONS	**National Perinatal Epidemiology Unit**	

PERSONAL SOCIAL SERVICES

See ADOPTION, CHILDREN IN CARE, DAY CARE AND PLAY-GROUPS, and HANDICAPPED CHILDREN for further information about these areas of the Personal Social Services.

REGULAR SOURCES

Activities of Social Services Departments	By local authority	Wales
Health and Personal Social Services Statistics, England		England
Health and Personal Social Services Statistics, Wales		Wales
Fostering and Place of Safety (Ref. SSDA 904); Financial Circumstances (Ref. SSDA 905); Year ending 31 March, England	Private foster homes; place of safety orders: by local authority. *Note:* The returns on financial assistance to children who have left care ceased after March 1980.	England
Personal Social Services Statistics: Actuals (CIPFA)		England and Wales
Personal Social Services Statistics: Estimates (CIPFA)		England and Wales
Personal Social Services Statistics N. Ireland	By health and social services board areas.	N. Ireland
Social Work Case Statistics	By local authority.	Scotland
Supervision Orders and Intermediate Treatment, Year Ending 31 March, England (Ref. SSDA 906)	By local authority.	England

OCCASIONAL SOURCES

Review of Government Statistical Services: Report of the DHSS Study Team (1980)	Report by the DHSS internal 'Rayner' team, on how statistical services should be cut. No figures.
Review of Personal Social Services Statistics: Report for the National and Local Government Statistical Liaison Committee (1981)	A more postitive report than the above, from a team of DHSS and local authority representatives. Its recommendations formed the bases of changes planned, or already implemented, in DHSS returns from local authority social services departments. No figures.
Reviews of UK Statistical Sources: Vol. I (1974)	Statistical sources on personal social services, both statutory and voluntary. Major changes have occurred since it was written. No figures.
Social Services for Children in England and Wales 1973–75 (1976)	Various statistics, including private fostering; place of safety orders; secure accommodation.
Social Services for Children in England and Wales 1976–78 (1979)	Various statistics, including private fostering; place of safety orders; secure accommodation.

POPULATION

50 REGULAR SOURCES

The following publications provide information about the age and sex distribution of the population; many include future estimates. Publications relating to one country in the United Kingdom sometimes include figures for other countries as well as their own.

Registrar Generals' statistics	**Annual Abstract**	UK, England and Wales, Scotland, N. Ireland
	Annual Estimates of Population, Scotland	Scotland
	Annual Report, Registrar General, N. Ireland	N. Ireland
	Annual Report, Registrar General, Scotland	Scotland
	Demographic Review	England and Wales
	Digest of Statistics, N. Ireland	N. Ireland
	Digest of Welsh Statistics	Wales
	Home Population Projections, Counties of Wales	Wales
	N. Ireland Annual Abstract	N. Ireland
	Population Estimates	England and Wales
	Population Estimates: OPCS Monitor PP1	England and Wales
	Population Projections	England and Wales
	Population Trends	England and Wales
	Regional Trends	UK, England and Wales, Scotland, N. Ireland
	Scottish Abstract	Scotland
	Social Trends	United Kingdom
	Welsh Social Trends	Wales
Projections of future numbers of pupils in school	***See Statistical Bulletins issued by central government education departments, plus:***	
	Education Statistics for the UK	United Kingdom
	Northern Ireland Education Statistics	N. Ireland
	Scottish Education Statistics	Scotland
	Statistics of Education in Wales	Wales

OCCASIONAL SOURCES

Census 1981: County Monitors	Age distribution of county populations in 1981 (percentages).
Census 1981: County Reports	Age distribution of county populations in 1981.

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Census 1981: Great Britain National and Regional Summary, OPCS Monitor CEN 81 CM 57 (1982)	Age distribution in 1981 (percentages).
Census Report No. 1: Comparison Between the First Census Results for the Metropolitan Counties (1982)	Age distribution in each metropolitan county 1981 (percentages).
Dept of Education and Science Report on Education No. 92 (1978)	'School projections in the 1980s'.
The Fact about Women is . . . (1982)	Percentage of population under 16: boys and girls (United Kingdom).
Population Trends No. 26 (1981)	Article on 'Population trends in 1980'.

UNEMPLOYMENT

52 REGULAR SOURCES

Dept of Employment Press Notice	Recent figures on number of unemployed school leavers.	United Kingdom
Digest of Statistics, N. Ireland	Number of young unemployed.	N. Ireland
Digest of Welsh Statistics	Number of young unemployed.	Wales
Employment Gazette	Number of young unemployed, by duration of unemployment.	United Kingdom, Great Britain
	Number of unemployed school leavers by region.	United Kingdom, Great Britain
N. Ireland Annual Abstract	Number of young unemployed.	N. Ireland
Regional Trends	Number of young unemployed.	UK, England and Wales, Scotland, N. Ireland
	Number of unemployed minority group workers.	GB, England and Wales, Scotland
Scottish Abstract	Number of young unemployed.	Scotland
Social Trends	Number of young unemployed.	Great Britain
	Status of 16–18 year olds: whether in education, employed, unemployed, Youth Opportunities Programme etc.	Great Britain

OCCASIONAL SOURCES

Employment Gazette Vol. 89 No. 8 (1981)	Article on 'Ignoring the sign: young, unemployed and unregistered', based on sample survey.
Employment Trends and the Family (1982)	
Work and the Family (1980)	

ORGANISATIONS

Manpower Services Commission
National Youth Bureau
Study Commission on the Family

WORKING MOTHERS

REGULAR SOURCES	**General Household Survey**	Working women (full or part time) with dependent children: age of youngest child.	Great Britain
	Social Trends	Working women (full or part time) with dependent children.	Great Britain
	Welsh Social Trends	Children under 16: by whether mother works (full or part-time).	Wales

OCCASIONAL SOURCES	**Employment Trends and the Family (1982)**	Includes various statistics.
	The Fact about Women is . . . (1982)	Working mothers (full or part-time) by age of youngest child.
	Services for Young Children with Working Mothers (1978)	Various statistics.
	Population Trends No. 26 (1981)	Article on 'Employment during pregnancy and infant mortality' (OPCS Longitudinal Study).
	Work and the Family (1980)	

ORGANISATIONS	**Equal Opportunities Commission**
	Study Commission on the Family

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

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REGULAR SOURCES	**Dept of Employment Press Notice**	Recent figures on people covered by special employment and training measures.	Great Britain
	Social Trends	Status of 16–18 year olds: whether in education, employed, unemployed, Youth Opportunities Programme, etc.	Great Britain
		Membership of young people's organisations.	United Kingdom
		Participation by 16–19 year olds in selected leisure activities: sports, cinema, reading etc.	Great Britain
		Average weekly hours of television viewing by 16–19 year olds (*Note:* Also for 5–15 year olds).	United Kingdom
OCCASIONAL SOURCES	**Britain's Sixteen-Year-Olds (1976)**	Leisure activities: findings from National Child Development Study.	
	Population Trends No. 17 (1979)	Article on 'Leisure patterns 1973 and 1977' (General Household Survey data). Shows 16–19 year olds.	
	Youth Service and Similar Provision for Young People (1972)	Survey on use of youth service etc.	
ORGANISATIONS	**National Youth Bureau**		

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APPENDIX A

Timetable for 1981 Census Results

The following is based on *Census 1981: Preliminary Report, England and Wales* (HMSO 1981) page 33. Information about the Census in Northern Ireland and Scotland may be obtained from the office of the Registrar General for each country.

1981 Census topic volumes

The responses to some census questions are fully processed while responses to other questions are processed only for a 100 per cent sample of household forms and a 10 per cent sample of persons returned on the forms for communal establishments.

The 100 per cent questions are:

nature of accommodation and sharing
number of rooms
household tenure
household amenities
availability of cars and vans
date of birth (age)
sex
marital status
whereabouts on census night
usual address
usual address one year ago (migration)
country of birth
Welsh language (for forms in Wales)
activity last week
employment status

The 10 per cent questions are:

relationship (household/family composition)
occupation
industry
workplace
means of transport to work
higher qualifications

The probable order for publishing topic volumes based on 100 per cent processing is:

1. historic tables – giving comparisons of the population with previous censuses;
2. sex, age and marital status;
3. population in communal establishments;
4. birthplaces;
5. housing and households;
6. Welsh language (in a bilingual volume);
7. persons of pensionable age;
8. migration cross-analysed with 100 per cent items.

Further volumes based on 10 per cent processing will be published as follows:

1. economic activity (occupation, industry, socio-economic group);
2. household and family composition – household tables;
3. household and family composition – family tables;
4. qualified manpower;
5. workplace and transport;
6. migration cross-analysed with 10 per cent items.

The first topic volumes based on 100 per cent processing are planned for publication in 1983 with those based on 10 per cent processing following about six months later. All are planned for publication before the end of 1984.

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APPENDIX B

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Number of children and young people in the United Kingdom, 1980. Millions.

Age	United Kingdom	England and Wales	Scotland	Northern Ireland
Under 5 years	3.4	3.0	0.3	0.1
5–9	3.9	3.4	0.4	0.1
10–15	5.4	4.7	0.5	0.2
16–19	3.7	3.2	0.4	0.1
Total population (all ages)	**55.9**	**49.2**	**5.2**	**1.5**

Source: Calculated from *Annual Abstract of Statistics 1982 Edition* (HMSO 1982) Table 2.6.

National Children's Bureau

National Children's Bureau is an independent organisation concerned with children's needs in the family, school and society.

The Bureau carries out research, organises conferences and seminars, produces a quarterly journal, publishes books and pamphlets, has its own library and information service and a membership of organisations and individuals that are professionally engaged in working for the betterment of children.

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